

**CHAPTER NO. 731**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 3799**

**By Representatives Ulysses Jones, John DeBerry, Miller, Moore**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3783**

**By Senator Harper**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-101 and Title 68, Chapter 140, Part 5, relative to certain authorized emergency vehicles.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-101(2)(C)(i), is amended by inserting the language "except as provided in Section 2 of this act," between the language "department of health," and the words "and no special authorization".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 140, Part 5, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section 68-140-5\_\_\_. (a) Notwithstanding department of health rule 1200-12-1.02(3)(a)-(f), or any other provision of law to the contrary, any municipality, located within any county having a population of more than 800,000 according to the 2000 census or any subsequent federal census, which owns, operates or maintains ambulances as a part of the services provided by such municipality is authorized to select the color of its ambulances, provided, that such color scheme is the same as is used by the fire department in such municipality.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) shall also apply in any county having a metropolitan form of government and a population in excess of five hundred thousand (500,000), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 10, 2006

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 2006

  
PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR